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Highway 400 mayhem

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Innisfil Examiner

A six-vehicle crash on Highway 400 at the 4th Line bridge sent a woman to hospital with life-threatening injuries on Wednesday.

According to the OPP, she was taken to hospital by land ambulance, then transported to a Toronto hospital by air ambulance.

Highway 400 was closed for several hours in both directions from Highway 89 to Innisfil Beach Road because of the crash.

Police say the driver of a tractor-trailer travelling south at about 11:30 a.m. lost control as traffic was slowing for a collision farther down the highway. The tractor-trailer rear-ended a cube truck, forcing it through the centre steel guardrail into the northbound lanes where it collided with a Honda Civic and a minivan. Two other vehicles in the southbound lanes also became involved in the collision.

The Barrie woman driving the minivan suffered critical injuries and was airlifted to a Toronto hospital. No one else was injured in the crash.

Terri Valkyrie was stuck in traffic behind the crash, but got out of her vehicle to walk up and see the damage.

"I couldn't even figure out how this happened by looking at it," she said, noting the truck caused extensive damage to the Highway 400 median. "He took at least 25 feet of the guard rail out."

The crash also resulted in a large fuel spill, likely from the flatbed transport truck, which contributed to the highway's closure.

"It's very bad, a lot of fuel everywhere, so it's going to take a while," OPP Sgt. Dave Woodford said Wednesday afternoon.

Brad Allen, who's with the MOE Barrie office, said the ministry sent an environmental officer to the site to ensure any potential effects to the environment are addressed, and to monitor the cleanup work.

"It is estimated that 1,000 litres of diesel fuel has spilled to the road," Allen said Wednesday afternoon. "A cleanup company has been retained by the vehicle owner and is en route. The ministry will be overseeing the clean-up work to ensure it is completed properly."

Zaib Mahood, 24, of Barrie, was returning from his studies in Toronto when the crash happened.

"I just barely missed it," he said, estimating he was 100 vehicles behind the collisions. "I probably never stopped as quick as I did. Right before the crash, a bunch of cars started swerving. I'm glad I made it out without hitting anyone.

"I was able to stop, but far ahead of me I just saw a bunch of cars going from the right lane hard into the left lane. From 100 to zero. It's the fastest I've ever been able to stop." Mahood said the road conditions were generally clear at the time; there was no ice, snow or water on the 400.

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MARK WANZEL Photo

For the second time in a week, Highway 400 through Innisfil was closed for a multi-vehicle crash. Although there were fewer motorists involved in the Wednesday incident, a woman was sent to hospital with serious injuries.

Internet luring charge laid

IAN MCINROY
Innisfil Examiner

An Innisfil man faces an Internet luring charge after a provincial police sting operation caught him meeting who he thought was going to be a 15-year-old girl.

Instead, it was an undercover police officer.

Police arrested the 26-year-old man Tuesday at a Barrie restaurant and a search warrant executed at his Innisfil home led investigators to computer equipment, which was seized.

The six-week investigation involved provincial police, Barrie city police and South Simcoe police.

"The OPP child exploitation unit ran the undercover operation," South Simcoe police Const. Rich Williamson. "It's something they do on a regular basis by impersonating somebody on the Internet to try and catch these people. They reach out to people or place ads or use websites. They're out there patrolling the Internet."

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Provincial police patrol the Internet

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OPP Insp. Scott Naylor, of the child exploitation unit, said that's how the suspect was located.

"What happened in this circumstance is one of my online undercover operators happened upon this guy and once we did some background investigation on it, we found he lived in the South Simcoe police area," he said. "We bring the evidence to them once we acquire (it), the ongoing chats, the arrangements for a meet, things like that."

The OPP then set up an operational plan with South Simcoe police.

"In this circumstance we set up a bit of a sting operation with the help of South Simcoe police and the accused showed up at the prearranged location," Naylor said.

In this case, that location was a restaurant in Barrie where the suspect was arrested.

It's too early to say whether there are other victims, he added.

"There was a search warrant executed at his residence as well. Some portable devices and a computer were seized so pending forensic analyses on that, we should be able to tell if he's been in contact with anybody else," he said.

Williamson said parents should always monitor their children's use of the Internet.

"Sexual predators often approach children online. As a parent, you should be aware of who your child contacts through websites, chat rooms and social media," he said.

"Keeping computers in family areas of the home reduces the risk of covert contact. Speak with your children about the dangers of giving out information online."

MARK WANZEL image

Witnesses to collisions sought by police

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"I think it was probably just a poor judgment," he said of the crash. "It was just a complete mess. The (highway) divider was completely broken.

"I don't know where it started, but it ended up on both lanes."

Mahood said he was stuck in traffic for approximately 20 minutes following the crash.

Allen said the responsibility for the cleanup lies with the vehicle's owner. Contractors could use absorbents to clean up and in some situations vacuum trucks can be used.

"We direct them (the vehicle owner) to hire a contractor, who is licensed to remove that material," Allen said. "They have a responsibility to clean up the material."

The OPP investigation is continuing and anyone with information about the collision is asked to contact the OPP at 905-841-5777.

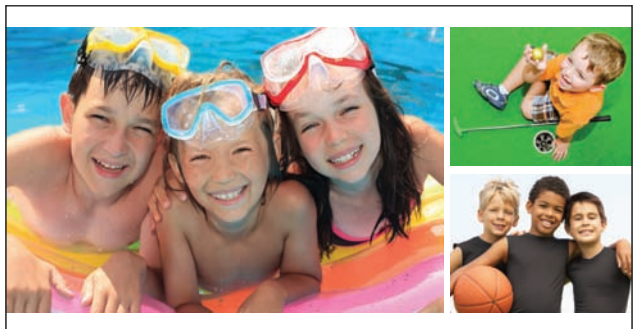
It's the second major crash on Highway 400 in the last week, and the second time the highway has been closed in both directions.

Last Thursday morning, a wall of snow caused a crash on Highway 400 involving nearly 100 vehicles, between Mapleview Drive and Highway 89. Three people received non-life-threatening minor injuries from the crash. No charges have been laid by OPP.

The storm was widespread and caused collisions on highways throughout the region.

MARK WANZEL photo

One person was sent to hospital after a mulit-vehicle collision on Highway 400 at the Innisfil Line 4 bridge on Wednesday.



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Innisfil poker player is all-in

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Innisfil resident Mike Leah won the Fallsview Poker Classic $1,000 buy-in in Niagara Falls last month

True, there's nothing like winning.

Especially when the reward is a big pay day like the $108,465 cheque Innisfil resident Mike Leah bagged in late February for winning the Fallsview Poker Classic $1,000 buy-in in Niagara Falls, Ont.

"It's a great feeling, but it doesn't always last that long," said the full-time professional poker player, whose live tournament earnings total just under $2 million.

Right after winning the tournament, Leah got into a $2,500 buy-in tournament at Fallsview and when he busted out of that he entered a $5,000 buy-in event, playing for two days before a disappointing bust.

"Poker is kind of funny that way," Leah said. "The joy doesn't always last that long, because you're always playing another tournament right away and you probably didn't win that one.

"Everyone is congratulating you for three days and all you're thinking about is the last one you busted from," he added.

Sitting down at the card table has proven to be very profitable for Leah since he decided to leave his job as a sales manager and become a full-time professional player in September 2008.

Along with his almost $2 million in live earnings, he's won $2.45 million in online tournament earnings bring his combined winnings to $4.44 million.

"That doesn't count losses as well, which would be quite a bit as well," Leah said. "I've had a profitable career so far."

Leah has made quite a name for himself in the game of poker. Known as "GoLeafsGoEh" online, the local pro racked up several big tournament wins before his first-place finish in Niagara Falls.

His biggest online cash came in the 2011 WCOOP Main Event, where he placed third to earn $663,816 in prize money.

In live tournaments, Leah won the Borgata $500,000 Guaranteed Deep Stack No Limit Hold'em Main Event in 2009, bagging a prize of $319,536.

Later that same year, he took the top $119,956 prize in the Deep Stack Extravaganza III No Limit Hold'em Tournament.

In 2013, he finished third in a World Series of Poker Seven Card Stud Hi-Lo event to cash in another $108,412 and then in early January of this year he brought home another $119,770 for winning the PokerStars Caribbean Adventure Turbo No-Limit Hold'em event.

"It was the second tournament that I played this year," he said of the win down in the Bahamas. "It was a great way to start."

When Leah first got into poker, it was very much a sport for him. It was about the competition and trying to win.

It still is, but without any other source of income for the last five-and-a-half years, it obviously also had to be about the money.

"I really don't think about money at all when I'm playing," the 39-year-old said. "It's kind of a byproduct of when I'm doing well, but when I'm away from the table then making sure to do things to make my career profitable is important."

Leah's decision to go all-in as a professional poker player was just as well thought out and planned as his decisions at the card table.

He had a pretty good full-time job working in sales management for a magazine fundraising company. Leah had worked at the same company for 16 years.

"I had worked my way up to a nice position as a national sales manager," he said.

He had been playing more and more poker online, as well as taking off to Las Vegas for a weekend or to play a tournament in Atlantic City.

"I was doing pretty good and I definitely had the itch to play poker," Leah said. "I kind of set myself up pretty good at my job where if I decided to try poker and it failed, they would have welcomed me back (at work) pretty easily."

Leah took temporary leave in June 2008 and played in the World Series of Poker that summer. He didn't do as well as he liked, but a $75,000 win at the end of his summer saved his season.

"I definitely made some profit, but nothing enough to quit my job," he said.

Still he had made some solid connections, including meeting two people from New York who ran a poker hedge fund. They made a deal with Leah to invest in all his poker buy-ins.

"I wouldn't be risking any of my own money," Leah said. "Basically, they put up all the buy-ins and I kept 50% of all the profits. That gave me the security to try because I wouldn't be risking any of my own money, so I took a permanent leave from my job in September of 2008 and leaped in from there."

Leah owned his own house and being single decided it was a good time as ever if he was going to try and play full-time.

He hasn't looked back since.

"It would be very, very hard, if not impossible, to go back to any type of job where I had to wake up at the same time every day and go to work," he said.

"I've been spoiled to the fact that that would never work for me.

"If something came along that I was passionate about, maybe I could get involved in some sort of business or something. Most of my ventures and businesses that I'm interested in have something to do with poker, whether it'd be coaching, websites, training websites or different investments in hedge funds."

Leah is aligned with one of the biggest poker names in the world, Phil Ivey. He is a member of Team Ivey on the iveypoker.com website. The "one-stop" poker site has a Facebook app where people can play Ivey, Leah or any of the other Team Ivey members for free while also improving their game.

"There's all sorts of different avenues in terms of becoming a better poker player," Leah said of the site.

For Leah, who loved to play competitive sports growing up, poker just kind of "filled a void." It's the drive to be the best at anything he does that he says has helped him take on the top players in the world at the card table.

Leah, who admits he hates losing, says his goal is to be the world's best poker player.

"I've always had high goals and expectations of myself," said Leah, who has lived in Innisfil for eight years. "I've always pictured myself in the upper tier of the poker world. It's where I want to be and it's where I deserve to be.

"It's not a surprise, but it's cool to look back at where I started and what I've accomplished and where I am now."

Currently down playing in Los Angeles, Leah will soon be gearing up for the World Series of Poker that runs from the end of May to the end of July in Los Vegas.

His other big prize tournaments will include the World Series of Poker (WSOP) Europe in France in October, as well as the World Series of Poker Asia Pacific, also in October. Those two tournaments will rotate every year.

"I will definitely being going to those," Leah said. "Winning a WSOP gold bracelet is my No. 1 goal above anything else. Once I do that, than winning my second will be my No. 1 goal."

Leah loves living the life a professional poker player and he doesn't plan on stopping any time soon. He has learned to properly balance his schedule, making sure to take a week or two off here or there to recharge his batteries.

"I can't see my passion for poker going anywhere," he said. "I love playing and the goals I have are going to take me a lifetime to accomplish.

"I anticipate this being a lifetime thing for me."

opinion

Invasive Species Act doesn't really float

Ontario's Liberals get some credit for introducing legislation that addresses the problem of invasive species, such as Asian carp. But their proposed Invasive Species Act will accomplish little except to make this an election issue.

The proposed legislation is window-dressing. Most of what it seeks to accomplish is already being done — and some of that by the federal government.

The provincial government is looking for an issue it can wrap its legislative arms around, and this is it.

According to the government, the proposed act would give Ontario tools to ban activities such as possessing and transporting certain invasive species.

Yet the government already has those so-called tools. The Ministry of Natural Resources has responsibility for monitoring advance of Asian carp into the Great Lakes, and ensuring the fish are not transported into Ontario.

In January, for example, MNR officers seized a truck in Windsor when it was found to contain live Asian carp, ostensibly for consumption in Toronto.

What about the devastation wrought by the emerald ash borer? It was first identified about 12 years ago in Windsor and has been responsible for destruction of hundreds of thousands of ash trees in the American Midwest and in Ontario.

But when the ash borer showed up, it was the Canadian Food Inspection Agency and its officers who jumped in to help fight its advance.

CFIA people brought in contractors to cut trees, and the federal agency has authority to ban movement of certain types of firewood from one part of Ontario to another.

Natural Resources Minister David Orazietti says that patchwork approach to invasive species remains a challenge.

He says more than 20 federal and provincial acts are in place "but none are designed to deal with invasive species or their impact."

He adds if the legislation is passed, Ontario would become the first and only jurisdiction in Canada that has "stand-alone" laws on the problem.

Of course it's not about fighting invasive species. It's about making sure the electorate know Ontario Liberals care enough to introduce legislation,

That's not so say the Asian carp isn't a problem.

But it's doubtful the Liberals' proposed legislation will have any meaningful impact, especially some of these invasive species are already here.

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Letters

Keep an eye on Hudak

Danger, danger Will Robinson!

Ontario Tory leader, Tim Hudak is launching perhaps one of the most controversial and draconian campaigns against labour this province has ever seen. Hudak's rhetoric is precise and calculated, for he is targeting the very essence of collective bargaining rights in Ontario.

Like his US counterpart, union-busting Republican Scott Walker, Hudak is on a collision course with organized labour in Ontario. If you think that Bill 115 was unscrupulous, just wait until Hudak strips public employees of their collective bargaining rights.

Do yourself a favour and check out what Scott Walker has done to Wisconsin. His goal is to 'nationalize' these policies and virtually wipe out over 100 years of collective bargaining.

There has been an appetite for this kind of rhetoric for over the last couple of years.

This is very serious business and this agenda isn't new by any means. Maude Barlow and Heather-Jane Robertson first illuminated the assault on Canada's schools in their book, Class Warfare.

Listen, Canadian schools are respected world-wide. Our literacy rates are among the highest in the world (Barlow, 1994). We are turning out scientists faster than the market-place can absorb them. (Barlow, 1994). What's more, our curriculum reflects the kind of society Canadians want. (Barlow, 1994). Canada is the envy of the world. We are doing a lot right. So, why the focus on labour?

It's easy. Money is to blame. Private companies have been salivating over the pot of gold at the end of the educational rainbow for decades. Big-business bosses stand to make a fortune by privatizing education. Hudak says that he represents the so-called "silent majority."

According to the loquacious Hudak, "We need to modernize our laws so we can give more opportunities to young people in this province and grow businesses. In Ontario, we're winning the race to the bottom," he said.

This is pure rubbish. I've always trusted that democracy will balance out the extreme ideas, but I'm somewhat reticent now given the notoriety of Mayor Rob Ford and the Ford-Nation movement. This guy is a buffoon and the people of Toronto are ready to re-elect him.

What does this say about our democracy? It's clear, then, that politics is all about the 'messaging.' Well then, it's time for us to 'message' what we do and not be so complacent about how good things are today.

I've taught for over 25 years. I've benefited from the years of arduous labour negotiations.

Thanks to this collective process, I enjoy sick-leave benefits, job security, excellent working conditions, including breaks, classroom preparation and lunch, a wonderful pension, workplace safety standards, wrongful termination laws, insurance benefits, workers' compensation, civil rights, family and medical leave, legal representation, an excellent employer, sexual harassment laws, holiday pay, privacy rights, laws protecting workers, wrongful termination laws, age discrimination protection, safer worker conditions, health care and retirement benefits, career training, promoting excellence, raising working and living standards for both women and men, small class sizes, fair treatment for women and lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender workers, and respect and dignity.

The 'message' is loud and clear. Our federation represents a synergistic collectivity.

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We belong to a special organization. We need to remain ever vigilant and mindful of the approaching political storm.

Tim Taylor
Moonstone

There is help out there for stray cats

There is no help for abandoned, stray and unwanted cats.

Sixteen months ago, a black-and-white cat came to my back door looking for food. At first he was very scared, but after a while he became very friendly and affectionate. I called him 'Blackie'.

We could not take him into the house because my two indoor cats did not like him. He was outside all winter in the cold. My son made him an outside shelter, and I fed him twice a day.

I did phone the humane society and cat shelters for help, but nobody wanted to help Blackie find a loving home. Blackie was outside all summer and he was very loving.

This winter, because of the very cold weather, we took him into a spare room. I did not give up trying to find Blackie a forever home.

Nobody was willing to help me.

Then I got a phone number from cat rescuer Neal Call in Barrie. He offered me help right away. He came to get Blackie and took him to a foster home in Barrie. Then he took him to a King Street veterinarian to be fixed. Now he is back in the foster home. Neal Carr is a cat rescuer, and spends his time and his own money to help these unwanted cats.

I am very grateful to Neal for his help with Blackie. Thank you Neal, very much.

Blackie is three-years-old and will soon be available for adoption at Furry Friends in Barrie's Petsmart. Neal Carr's phone number is 705-739-1235 or 705-715-8216 (cell).

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Believe in yourself

MIRIAM KING
Innisfil Examiner

Students at Goodfellow Public School had a unique opportunity on Tuesday to gain insight into the pain caused by bullying.

The Grade 6, 7 and 8 students learned about leadership skills, how to develop mental health awareness and heard about coping strategies.

It was all part of the 'Building a Better Me Day', organized by Grade 7 teachers Taylor Leffley and Megan Duff, and senior students at the Alcona school.

The day began with an assembly that provided an insightful look at bullying and then the students broke into groups to attend special 40-minute workshops and activities on bullying and friendship building, leadership skills and mental health activities.

Students also received a booklet containing information on bullying, resources and phone numbers to call for assistance, and space for 'journalling': to write down their thoughts about the day and how to Build a Better Me, said Miss Duff.

She also challenged the students to design a button, summing up the day and the lessons learned, that will be made into a button after the March Break.

Many of those taking part shared their feelings.

"People that get bullied feel like they don't want to go to school again, because the bullies are there," said one Goodfellow Public School student.

"You start thinking, 'Yeah - there must be something wrong with me'. That can affect your self-esteem for years," added an adult who was bullied in school.

"I never approached a teacher to say I was being bullied. I was ashamed," said a former victim. "It's difficult for kids to talk to their parents or teachers," added another.

Duff explained that Building a Better Me Day was a "pilot" project and also for training the senior students to be leaders for a second, school-wide day of improvement to be held later this year, on the topic of nutrition and active living.

"We are training you to be leaders," she told the students, to lead their school and schoolmates toward a 'Better Me'.

'Believe in yourself' was the message at the end of film.

MIRIAM KING BInnisfil Examiner

Students at Goodfellow Public School in Alcona discuss issues about bullying and friendship-making.

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DRIVER INTO SNOWBANK CHARGED

An Innisfil woman's vehicle crashed into a large snowbank near Jans Boulevard in Alcona early Friday morning. At about 2:30 a.m., South Simcoe police were called to the crash after a driver lost control of her vehicle.

Officers detected alcohol on the driver's breath Police say she didn't have a driver's licence and was on probation not drink. A 22-year-old woman was arrested and given a breath test and registered a 'warn'. She is charged with breaching her probation, driving without a licence and driving without insurance.

ROADSIDE STOP LEADS TO ARREST

ESSA TWP. - A 45-year-old Innisfil man is facing an impaired driving charge after he failed a roadside test Saturday evening.

According to South Simcoe Police, an officer responded to a call about a possible impaired driver on County Road 27, just south of Cookstown. a roadside test which the driver failed.

He was taken to the police station for breath tests and was charged with having over 80 mgs. of alcohol in his system.

Transportation Master Plan Update
Notice of Public Information Centre Round 2

HOW DO **YOU** THINK TRANSPORTATION CAN BE IMPROVED IN SIMCOE COUNTY?

Study Purpose: To update the County of Simcoe's Transportation Master Plan to ensure that growth, land use, and infrastructure planning is integrated and is based on valued input from the public, private sector, government agencies, and municipalities. The updated Master Plan will establish a multi-modal transportation strategy that includes transit, cyclists, pedestrians, cars, and trucks.

This study is being conducted in accordance with the requirements of Phases 1 and 2 of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment, which is an approved process under the Environmental Assessment Act.

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March 18, 2014

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Town of Innisfil
Recreational Complex,
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March 20, 2014

Location #4
Town of Wasaga Beach
Rec Plex,
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March 25, 2014

Purpose of the Public Information Centres:

- To present recommendations for roads, transit and active transportation networks.
- To provide residents and stakeholders with the opportunity to provide their comments and speak with members of the study team about multi-modal transportation options and opportunities in the County of Simcoe.

- Filling out the online questionnaire https://www.research.net/s/SimcoeTMP
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CURLING: Perfect record for Stroud Curling Club bantam boys at Ontario Winter Winter Games

Submitted photo

The Ontario Winter Games were held last weekend and the Stroud Curling Club's bantam Team Hall won gold with a perfect 5-0 record. From left, coach Dan Veitch, skip Matthew Hall, Phil Malvar, Mackenzie Reid and Cody McGhee will be representing Ontario at the Canada Winter Games held in British Columbia next year. At that event, the top three teams from southern Ontario play down against the top three teams from northern Ontario for the single Ontario spot at the Canada Winter Games.

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It's a Girl!

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Grandparents are Grace & Danny Smith, Shelley Bates & Harold Gardner.

Special thanks to Dr. Wu and all the staff at the RVH.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Our little one has arrived!

Sandy (Alexander) and Erin Ueffing of Ottawa, Ontario are thrilled to announce the arrival of their daughter **Sarah Jean Ueffing** on February 18, 2014. Sarah is the first grandchild for proud Grandpa and Grandma Brian and Deborah Morris of Midhurst, Ontario and Opa and Oma Joe and Susan Ueffing of Canning, Nova Scotia. Also welcoming Sarah are her great-grandmothers Joan Morris and Jean Hennigar, Uncle Joost Ueffing (Susan), and Aunt Kate Dixon (Steven).

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MAN INJURED AFTER PASSING SNOWPLOW

After passing a snowplow, a Barrie man's vehicle hit snowbank, vaulted the roadway and rolled over into the ditch here Tuesday afternoon.

He was taken by air ambulance to a Toronto hospital with serious but non-life-threatening injuries, say South Simcoe police.

Just north of Churchill at about 2 p.m. on Yonge Street, a southbound Ford F150 pickup truck driven by a 20-year-old man crashed at the 5th Line.

Police, Innisfil firefighters and Simcoe County paramedics were called to the scene. Yonge Street was closed to traffic for about an hour.

Alcohol is not believed to have been a factor, but police continue to investigate the crash.

Police are again reminding motorists that it is often dangerous to pass a working snowplow.

THREATENING DEATH CHARGE LAID

A 21-year-old Innisfil man is facing assault and threatening death charges after he became enraged after being woken up Sunday morning.

According to South Simcoe police, officers were called to a Lefroy home around 8 a.m. regarding a family dispute. Police say the man had become enraged after he was woken up early and took out his anger on his family members and their property.

The man was held in custody pending a bail hearing after being charged with assault, assault with a weapon, two county of threatening death and three counts of mischief.

Police say no one was injured.

HUSBAND CHARGED WITH DOMESTIC ASSAULT

A call from a concerned mom resulted in the arrest of a 39-year-old Innisfil man for domestic assault on Sunday.

According to South Simcoe police, the mother called police around 9 p.m. after her daughter called and told her she was arguing with her husband. Police went to the daughter's home and spoke to the couple.

During the visit, officers learned that during a similar argument in November, the husband began punching his wife in the face.

The man was charged and was released on conditions to stay away from his wife, and will appear before a judge in April.

community listings

MAR. 10

The Gilford & District Horticultural Society holds its first meeting of 2014 on Monday, March 10, at the Churchill Community Centre on Yonge St., at 7:30 p.m. Time to renew your membership! Guest speaker will be Lorraine Mennen, owner of Pathways to Perennials in Kettleby, speaking on 'Gardening with Colour'.

MAR. 14

The South Simcoe Arts Council presents Choral Workshop 2014, led by Tapestry Chamber Choir Director Tony Browning. The workshop will take place at Living Faith Community Presbyterian Church in Baxter, Ontario on Saturday, May 3, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Cost to register is $40, which includes musical scores and a light lunch. Enjoy a day of singing together, and exploring approaches to choral music, for both singers and choral directors. Please register by Friday, March 14, at 705-435-2378 or info@southsimcoeartscouncil.com For information, see www.southsimcoeartscouncil.com

MAR. 15

The Lefroy-Belle Ewart Branch 547 of the Royal Canadian Legion will be hosting a St. Patrick's Dance on Saturday, March 15, starting at 7 p.m. Tickets are only $10 per person - and entertainment will be provided by one-man-band, Kent Tocher, playing everything from Banjo, to fiddle and keyboard. The Legion will also be serving a light 'lunch', and green beer! For tickets, call Chris Knowles, 705-431-5090.

MAR. 16

Churchill United Church in Innisfil is holding a St. Patrick's Day supper featuring hame, scalloped potatoes, vegetables, home-made pie, tea and coffee. The cost is $15 for adults, $7 for kids 12 and under. A family of four can eat for $40. There are two sittings: 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Entertainment will be provided from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. For information, call Grace at 705-456-2748.

MAR. 18

The Lefroy-Belle Ewart Legion hosts its Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, March 18, 7 p.m. Nominate your new officers and executive for 2014-15.

MAR. 20, 22

The Innisfil Public Library will be hosting the Canada Revenue Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP) again this year. Certified volunteers will be available for 20 to 30 minute appointments at the Stroud Branch, 7883 Yonge Street, to help eligible individuals complete their income tax and benefit returns. This free service will be available at the following times: Thursdays: March - 6th, 20th, 27th and April 3rd, 10th from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Saturdays: March 22nd and April 5th from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Volunteers do not complete income tax and benefit returns for deceased persons, bankrupt individuals, or individuals who have capital gains or losses, employment expenses, or business or rental income and expenses. Please register in person or by phone at the Stroud Branch - (705) 436-1681. Appointments are not mandatory but ensure a shorter waiting time.

MAR. 28

Delicious Roast Beef Dinner & Brown Bag Auction Friday March 28 at St. James United Church, Stroud. Tickets are $15.00 the 6 p.m. only sitting. For tickets, please call the church office (705) 436-5225.

MAR. 29

Do you love chili? Have you got a treasured a chili recipe that knocks the socks off all the others? Enter the Annual Chili Contest at the Lefroy-Belle Ewart Legion on Saturday, March 29. Register by calling 705-456-9728. All chilies must be in a crock pot and brought to the Legion Hall, 1017 Robinson St. in Belle Ewart, by 1:30 p.m. Please bring a ladle, and any accompaniments, from cheese to chives. The public is welcomed to attend from 2 to 4 p.m. - and for just $5 per person, receive a bowl, roll and bottle of water.

APR. 5, 6

The Tiffin Centre for Conservation, 8195 - 8th Line of Essa, hosts the Spring Tonic Maple Syrup Festival, April 5 and 6. From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., enjoy tours of the sugar bush and maple syrup-making demonstrations, War of 1812 re-enactments, live music, horse-drawn wagon rides and the critters of Zoo to You. From 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., enjoy pancakes, sausages and real maple syrup, free.

APR. 12

On Saturday, Apr. 12 Alan Rhody performs a live concert at Music Up Close House Concerts at 2226 Richard St. in Innisfil beginning at 8 p.m. with a suggested minimum donation of $20 per seat. Call Peter @705-436-3927 to reserve your seats. Coffee and treats served at intermission. Visit www.musicupclose.com for details.

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Battle brewing over alcohol sales in Ontario convenience stores

IAN MCINROY
Innisfil Examiner

Canadian curling legend Glenn Howard can normally be found on a sheet of ice perfecting his shots and yelling 'hurry hard'.

Now the world curling champion and four-time Canadian champ has another challenge: keeping alcohol sales out of Ontario's thousands of convenience stores.

Howard and representatives of Canada's National Brewers and the United Food and Commercial Workers Canada union (which represents Beer Store employees) met with Barrie Mayor Jeff Lehman on Tuesday.

As a Beer Store employee, Howard doesn't distance himself from his longtime employer. He has been a Beer Store manager since 1985 (in Penetanguishene), opened and managed the Bayfield Street Beer Store in Barrie in 1986 and has been helming the Midland store since 1991. He's also managed (in no particular order) in Orillia, Coldwater and Wasaga Beach.

But says he has other reasons why alcohol should be kept out of corner stores.

"If there is more access to beer, wine and liquor, we feel the stats will show there is going to be increased crime and probably going to be more impaired driving," he said.

"We have very well trained employees that do online courses every year to make sure they're up to speed. If you look under the age of 25, we're going to challenge you to make sure we don't miss that 18-year-old who looks like a 27-year-old, and they're out there," Howard added. "If there is ever any doubt if they are underage or intoxicated, you challenge them to make sure the beer doesn't get into the wrong hands.

"Stats have shown that may not be the case when it comes to convenience stores. They've struggled with the sale of cigarettes to minors and with the addition of alcohol, that could become a lot worse," he added.

Dave Bryans, CEO of the Ontario Convenience Stores Association (OCSA), takes exception to that. He said many of the main players in the association have already sold alcohol in other (Canadian) markets and employees are properly trained to do it sensibly.

"We have a hell of an incentive from the Smoke Free Act (selling cigarettes) and the Ontario Alcohol and Gaming Commission (selling lottery tickets) to make sure we're the best at age testing," he said. "There are already 216 convenience stores in the province selling alcohol through LCBO/Beer Store agency stores.

"The facts are that convenience stores can and do retail alcohol responsibly and professionally. Whether it's abroad, in Quebec, or right here at home, Ontarians have seen how convenience stores are responsible alcohol retailers."

Bryans said an Angus Reid public opinion survey revealed that 69% of Ontarians favour corner-store alcohol sales.

IAN MCINROY Innisfil Examiner

Canadian curling legend Glenn Howard, right, was in town Tuesday morning to speak with Barrie Mayor Jeff Lehman about the potential consequences of beer, wine and liquor being sold in corner stores across the province.

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>
> *Dave Byrons, Ontario Convenience Stores Association*

"We're not saying close the LCBO and we're not saying close the Beer Store. Let's open the market and see where the customers hang their hats," he said. "Let's start somewhere and demonstrate to the public that it's a good concept because that's what (the public is) asking for. It's time to open up the market like we see in Quebec or Newfoundland or anywhere else.

"Ontario is a rural community and it is way under serviced when it comes to beer and wine," he added. "I think we're a little more mature today. There should be nothing wrong with — on a hot summer day — driving over to your convenience store, getting 12 cans of cold beer and bringing them back to your home."

Bryans, whose association represents 7,500 of the 9,500 convenience stores in Ontario, said every store in the province would wind up selling alcohol. "Many don't want it or have the space. I don't expect to see 9,500 stores in Ontario getting into beer, wine and liquor," he said.

While he described the LCBO as "a great shopping experience", Bryans said the Beer Store is "questionable and it is a monopoly owned by foreign masters. I understand exactly where the Beer Store is coming from. If I had a monopoly — and it's a very lucrative market — I'd want to protect that. I appreciate that and respect that. However, we're only portraying what our customers are telling us."

The Beer Store is owned by the Labatt arm of Anheuser-Busch InBev (of Belgium), Molson Coors (United States and Canada) and Sleeman Breweries, part of of Sapporo, of Japan.

Howard concedes the move to selling alcohol could mean Beer Store employees losing their jobs. "(The issue) is near and dear to our hearts, obviously, as employees. There is no doubt in our mind if (alcohol sales) are allowed to go into convenience stores there's going to be a ton of job losses in the province of Ontario. It's going to cost job loss in the Beer Store," he said, but questioned the use of the word monopoly.

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>
> *Glenn Howard*

"Any brewer across the world can get into our system so that's not really a monopoly. They have access to us. They can pay their licencing fee and (put their product) into one Beer Store or all of them. It's their call," he said. "As far as being foreign-owned, it's not the only business (in Canada) that is owned offshore. I don't think that should really matter when it comes to beer, wine and liquor in corner stores."

While both sides of the debate tout their own studies and surveys, Howard said he is passionate about one aspect of the argument.

"As a parent I'm concerned about these issues coming up and the accessibility to minors," he said.

Stroud 1st Scout leaders off to Japan

Submitted photo

The 1st Stroud Scout Group's Dirk Seis, left, and Barry Mitchell will be going to the World Scout Jamboree 2015 in Japan.

Special to the Innisfil Examiner

In preparation for the World Scout Jamboree 2015 in Japan, two local volunteers have been called into action on behalf of all Canadian Scouts.

Innisfil resident Barry Mitchell, a six-decade long member of the Scouting movement, is representing the youth as council coordinator on the World Scout Jamboree Canadian contingent management team.

Barrie is supporting 20 Scout councils across Canada and is also a member of the International Committee for World Scout Jamborees and the Scouting planning team. Barry brings his experience in planning and leadership roles for two previous World Scout Jamborees and numerous Canadian jamborees to these national positions.

Dirk Seis, who has volunteered countless hours for Innisfil's youth, has been named to the World Jamboree Canadian contingent management team as development team Lead.

In this role, Dirk is championing fundraising ideas to help Canadian Scouts travel to Japan to represent their country at the World Scouting Jamboree in 2015. Dirk is also responsible for securing corporate sponsorship and helping to establis Canada House in Kirara-hama, Japan.

The 1st Stroud Scout Group is very proud to have Dirk and Barry chosen for such significant positions representing Simcoe County and all of Canada.

Congratulations and good luck to Dirk, Barry, and the entire Canadian contingent management team.

For more information on Scouting and the World Scout Jamboree, visit www.scouts.ca.

Tasty Thornton Lions Chili Challenge

MIRIAM KING Innisfil Examiner

Jeff Hellings, of the Rotary Club of Innisfil, serves up a spicy chili at the Thornton Lions' annual Chili Challenge, held Saturday at the Thornton Lions Hall.

MIRIAM KING
Innisfil Examiner

Essa Township Mayor Terry Dowdall and fellow Coun. Michael Smith donned their chefs' hats and aprons, and came out prepared to defend their title at the Thornton Lions annual Chili Challenge at the Thornton Lions Hall on March 1.

They finished in second place by popular vote but were a little disappointed to find that their chief competition in the special 'Mayor's Challenge' — Innisfil Mayor Barb Baguley — hadn't made it back from vacation in time to bring in a pot of chili.

There were still plenty of entries, from the mild and sweet versions entered by the Trinity United Church in Thornton to the 'five alarm' chili cooked up by firefighter Rob Murik, that combined ground beef, corn, and four kinds of chili peppers: habanero, scotch bonnet, pirri pirri and jalapeno.

The public was invited to attend and for a $5 contribution to the Lions, they could sample each entry along with a bun and bottle of water, and then vote for their favourite.

Winner over-all?

The spicy chili of Jeff Hellings, representing the Innisfil Rotary Club.

Both the Rotary Club and Dowdall donated their cash prizes back to the Thornton Lions Club to support community projects.

Mayor Barb Baguley did manage to get to the event, but did not enter the competition.

"We got home and didn't have water so no chili could be made," the mayor said, promising to take on Mayor Dowdall and Essa Township. in 2015.

"Hopefully I will beat them next year."

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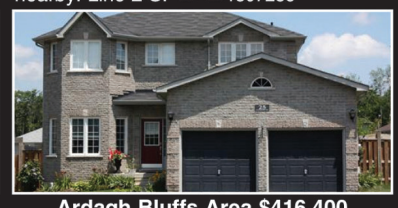

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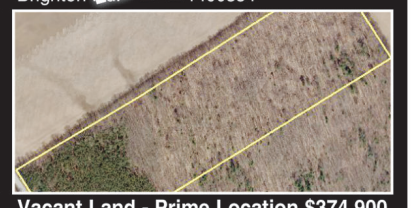

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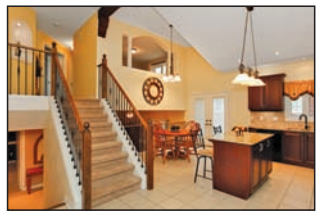

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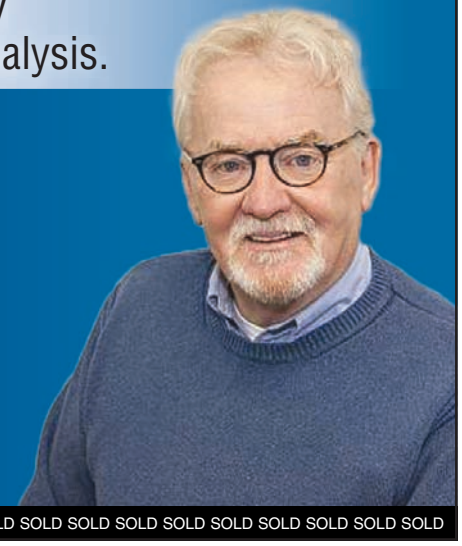

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When it comes to heating and cooling systems, size matters

(NC) Size may not matter for some things. But when it comes to your heating and cooling equipment, it not only matters, it is critical – both to the wellbeing of your home, and your wallet.

If you choose a heating unit that's too large, it will turn on and off more often, create hot and cold spots, and generate high noise levels. An oversized air conditioning unit will likely run long enough to cool, but not to dehumidify. In both cases, incorrect sizing will increase your fuel consumption and operating costs, and contribute to premature part failure.

Under-sizing of equipment will be equally problematic, causing a number of comfort problems and an inability to keep up with demand, especially in temperature extremes.

Nancy McKeraghan of Newmarket-based Canco ClimateCare has seen her share of problems resulting from improperly sized equipment – her company is often called in to repair the damage. "We had one customer whose furnace was done after seven years because it was the wrong size for his house, actually double the capacity it should have been– and furnaces should last 15 to 20 years," she says. "The furnace was constantly going on and off, and that was really hard on the equipment."

How to avoid a similar scenario? Make sure your contractor does a complete "heat loss and heat gain calculation" on your home. Only by reviewing all the variables – and there are many – can the appropriate size be determined.

This requires both an onsite assessment of the home, as well as an in-depth discussion with the homeowner about lifestyle and future plans. Changing windows, upgrading insulation levels, finishing the basement, air-sealing or adding a new addition – all these upgrades will impact a sizing calculation.

The contractor will also take into account:

Local climate conditions;
Existing hot and cold spots;
Size and number of windows that let in heat from the sun;
Existing insulation levels;
Number and lifestyle of a home's occupants; and
Predicted or known air exchange rate of the home

Beware of contractors who fall short of performing a full calculation. Warning signs include a calculation made over the phone or within a brief 15-minute visit. A good estimate takes upwards of an hour – sometimes more – and examines all variables. If the points outlined above are not part of the discussion, this should also raise warning flags, and ditto for contractors who indicate it is sufficient to just replace old equipment with new equipment of the same size.

Do not agree to a simple "rule of thumb" calculation (e.g., X amount of BTUs per square foot), and be sure to request a "heat loss and heat gain calculation" as part of your purchase process. Any piece of HVAC equipment constitutes an expensive, and important, purchase. Make sure you get it right, and you will have years of comfort ahead.

For more consumer tips and information, visit www.hrai.ca/educationcentre.html or for information on how to locate a qualified contractor in your area, visit www.hrai.ca/qualifiedcontractors.html

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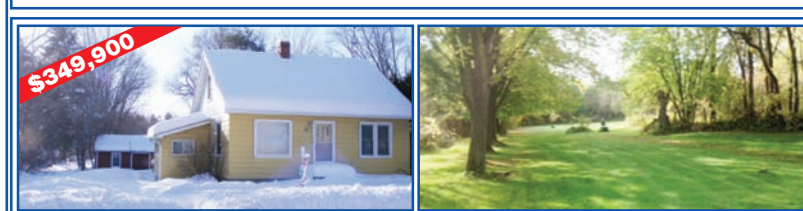

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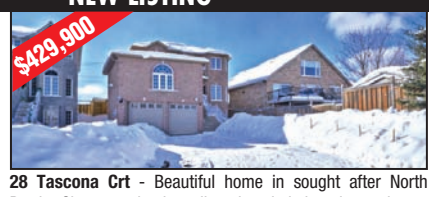

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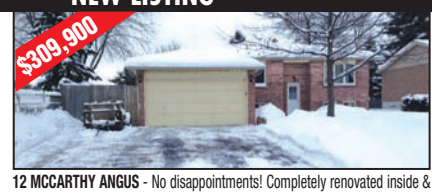

12 MCCARTHY ANGUS - No disappointments! Completely renovated inside & out. Entire home redone since 2009 new kitchen, flooring, furnace, windows, doors shingles, landscaping. Incredibly cool theme bedrooms for kids. 16 x 16 screened porch. Kinetico h20 system. Home energy audit complete and available. Pool w/ new pump. Tons of cupboards, huge kitchen! Too much to list!

Refrigerants, new regulations, and what you need to know

(NC) You may have heard that Canada is phasing out ozone-depleting refrigerants including R-22 (HCFC-22), which is found in the majority of heat pumps and air-conditioning units.

You may also wonder what this means for you. Does your system have R-22? Do you have to replace the refrigerant? Will you need to buy a whole new piece of equipment???

In fact, each one of these options should be considered and as an equipment owner, you need to find out which option is best for your system. Unless your system has been installed in the last few years, it most likely contains R-22. With R-22 refrigerant being phased out over the next 7 years, there will be less R-22 available for service and it is becoming more expensive. Though you can continue to use R-22 for the foreseeable future, you should also look at the options of replacing the type of refrigerant in your current system or replacing the system itself with one that uses a non-ozone-depleting refrigerant.

Another factor you need to consider is that Canadian regulations do not permit new systems containing R22 to be manufactured or imported into Canada.

There are alternative non-ozone-depleting 'drop-in' refrigerants available that can replace the R-22 in your system with a small number of changes to the equipment. If you determine that the system should be replaced, pick a system that uses a newer non-ozone-depleting refrigerant. The most popular refrigerant offered by manufacturers is R410A. Remember to ensure that all system components are changed when you move to the new refrigerant.

The best way to make sound decisions about your air conditioning or heat pump system is discuss your options with a qualified heating and air conditioning contractor, and to have the contractor properly maintain your heating and cooling systems through annual maintenance checks.

To find a qualified HVAC contractor who can guide you in the process, contact the Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Institute of Canada (HRAI) at http://www.hrai.ca/contractorlocator.php or for more consumer tips and information, visit www.hrai.ca/educationcentre.html

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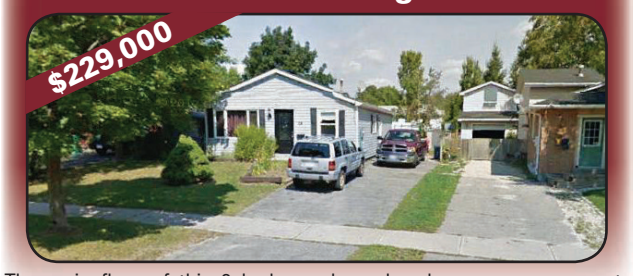

The main floor of this 2 bedroom bungalow has an open concept, allowing for lots of natural light. Some great work has been done in this home... All new doors and windows are approx.. 7 years old, shingles in '12. Updated main bath; sink/counter, tub & low flush toilet. Many long-time residents reside on this quiet, mature street. Easy hwy access.

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Take a look at this open concept 3 bedroom 2 bathroom raised bungalow in north Barrie. This home features a bright eat-in kitchen walkout to patio and private treed yard. Single attached garage with separate entrance to the basement. **http://186letitiast.com**

Splash your rooms with colour and patterns

(NC) Are you all about neutrals when it comes to home décor? Style icon and award-winning fashion designer, Isaac Mizrahi, encourages home owners to get inspired by their surroundings.

"Let the blooming flowers of spring inspire you to incorporate pattern and colour into your home," he suggests. "Don't be afraid to take a risk, you might love the result. For example, I love mixing prints, my den is a mixture of floral and stripes."

The best way to introduce colour and pattern is to start small. Check out these simple and stylish ways to dress up any home:

Start from the ground up – A colourfully patterned rug instantly brightens any room. Work from that rug, whether complementing or contrasting it, for a balanced and complete look.

Keep it comfy – Both functional and stylish, throw pillows add a fun splash of colour to a room.

Stay artsy – A colourful painting can transform any room. Hang it above a fireplace, sofa, credenza/sideboard, or a bed to help create a focal point in a room.

Accessorize, accessorize – Accent pieces finish the look of a room. "Add flowers, candles and even a Kleenex tissue box as a finishing touch," says Isaac. His contribution to the brand can be seen at www.Kleenex.com/style.

Love it before you buy it – Above all, choose things you love. "If you don't love it, don't buy it," says Isaac. "The best rule of thumb is to surround yourself with things that make you happy in your home."

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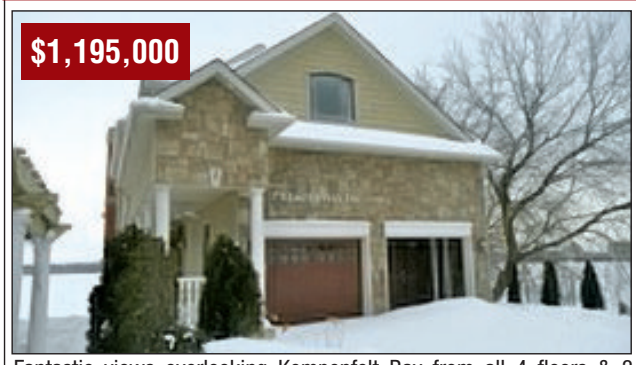

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6 simple steps to a sensational shower

(NC) You do it every day – and sometimes more than once a day – but how often do you actually think about your shower routine? Does it live up to its potential?

You do deserve the pampering, so with the following six simple steps, your shower escape can become sensational and safe – and all of it with only a minimal investment:

Step 1: Start the Shower

When turning on the shower, are you greeted with a sensational stream, or a wimpy wash? To create a sensational shower, be sure you start with a quality showerhead – and upgrading it is simple. Just unscrew your current showerhead, wrap some plumber's tape around the arm, and screw on the new showerhead. A rainshower, for example, is a popular choice to provide quality coverage – and there are many options at affordable prices.

Step 2: Pamper with Products

Also in the survey, did you know that men cite "having too many items cluttering up the space" is their number one pet peeve in the shower? And while we don't want to part with our favourite body wash, shampoo, or conditioner, it's easy to add a bit of organization with a shower shelf. And for safety, go a step further. Moen says their new Designer Grab Bars with Shelves (in the Home Care line) give you a stylish shelf storage solution. You can get both the corner and straight varieties – while also adding the safety of a grab bar.

Step 3: Stretch Your Space

If you're feeling a bit claustrophobic in the shower, it may be time for an update. But don't think adding additional shower space means adding a lot of cost. You can easily add additional elbow room by simply swapping your straight shower curtain rod with a curved shower rod. Take a look at the easy installation of the Tension Curved Shower Rod. Details at moen.ca.

Step 4: Take a Seat

Would you be more relaxed (and feel more secure while shaving your legs, or washing your feet) if you had a nice place to sit? If your current shower doesn't have built-in seating, there is a wide range of options, from freestanding chairs to more upscale fold-down shower seats featuring teak and stainless finishes. But no matter which you choose, you'll soon see that serenity in the shower feels safer in a seated position.

Step 5: Slip and Slide

It's inevitable in the bath – water is going to create slick surfaces. So, before you step in and shower, be sure that you won't fall flat. For less than the cost of a cup of coffee, you can install treads to the bottom of your shower for some sure footing and added traction.

Step 6: Grab a Towel

Once you're squeaky clean and relaxed, you'll want to reach out for a fluffy, warm towel and climb out of the shower. How can you ensure your towels are close at hand? Install a towel bar just outside the shower area. But don't choose just any towel bar – add extra safety with a towel bar that incorporates a grab bar.

"Our research shows that the most challenging and potentially dangerous bathroom activity is getting in and out of the bathtub or shower safely," says Jack Suvak, the senior director of market research and insights at Moen. "And, many bathers rely on items such as towel bars or shower door handles, which are not built to hold a person's weight. Our grab bars and towel bars are designed to deliver that kind of security."

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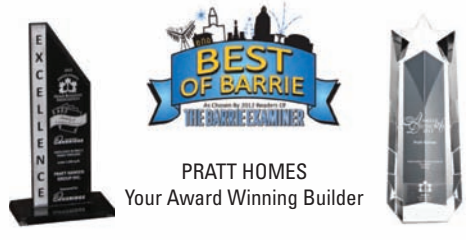

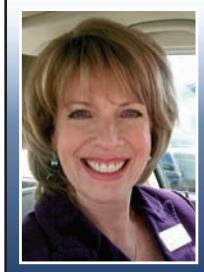

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5 important tips for buying a new condo

(NC)—It's no secret that there's an ongoing condo boom in Ontario – just look around you. Our cities are going up vertically, and that means more and more people are enjoying high rise living. So if you are joining the crowd and thinking of buying a condo, here are some tips to make your purchase a smooth one:

1. Patience is important. It could be two or three years between the date you sign your purchase agreement and the date you take occupancy of your unit. If construction runs over schedule, it could be even longer.

2. Know your rights when it comes to delayed closings. Builders are entitled to extend the occupancy date specified in a purchase agreement as long as they provide proper notice. (When proper notice is not given, buyers are eligible for delayed occupancy compensation.) It's a good idea to read up on your rights and responsibilities in delayed occupancy situations, which you can do at tarion.com.

3. Hire a lawyer. A condominium lawyer will help you interpret your purchase agreement. It's to your benefit to understand both your own and your builder's responsibilities. For example, the Condominium Act entitles you to a 10-day "cooling off" period that begins on the day you receive the purchase agreement or a document called the disclosure statement, whichever comes later. During this time, your lawyer can negotiate changes to the offer, like capping adjustments to the purchase price, or restricting amendments to the size, design or dimensions of the unit.

4. Understand deposit protection. If a builder fails to close the sale or substantially complete construction, deposits are protected up to a maximum of $20,000 with any excess deposit amounts being protected by the trust provisions of the Condominium Act. Any money paid over and above this is may not be protected if something unforeseen happens with the builder or development.

5. Be prepared to move into a construction zone. Condo projects are different from single family homes in that the purchase is usually completed in two steps. Step one is interim occupancy. Many buyers find out the hard way that they're required to take possession of their completed unit (and pay the balance of the down payment, which generally amounts to 25 per cent of the purchase price) before common element features like front reception, landscaping and the swimming pool are finished. This means you could live for many months without the anticipated amenities, particularly if the unit sits on a lower floor.

Whether you are a first-time buyer, empty nester, or just drawn to the condo life, make sure you know your rights. More information about warranty coverage for new condos is available online at tarion.com or phone 1-877-982-7466. To learn more about the Condominium Act, which is not administered by Tarion, contact the Ontario Ministry of Consumer Services.

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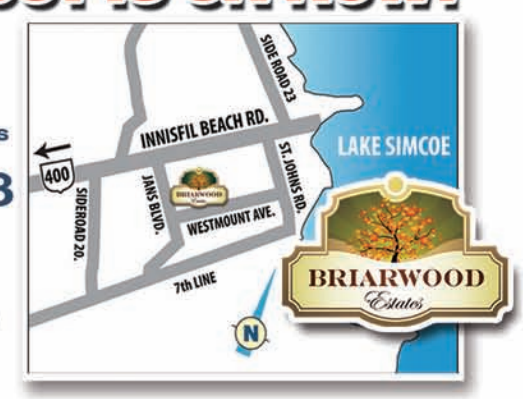

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Quick tips to come clean in your dirtiest rooms

(NC) Household chores are a never-ending reality of life. In fact on average, women spend more than two hours a day on household activities – and yet there's always something still to clean when keeping up with kids, pets and a hectic schedule.

For a tidy sparkling home in no time, why not tackle your dirtiest rooms with a few quick tips?

For example, start by pumping yourself up with a 'cleaning playlist' to make chores more entertaining? If you're lacking motivation, nothing will get you off the couch faster than a rockin' soundtrack. It can also be fun to time yourself during tasks; you may be surprised to see that most of the chores listed below can be completed in 10 minutes or less. Ready – set – start cleaning:

Kitchen

Dishwasher Duty

Once a week, shake baking soda on a damp sponge and wipe around the machine's edges to remove stuck-on food or stains. To clean the inside, run an empty cycle with Dishwasher Magic, a product designed to kill bacteria like E.coli. During cold and flu season, add a quarter-cup of bleach to the regular dish cycle to kill bacteria. The dishes will be safe and sanitized after the rinse cycle is finished.

Zap the Sponge

We all know that sponges can be a breeding ground for bacteria. Disinfect yours every night by squeezing excess water out and microwaving it on high for a minute. When it's worn and smelly, replace with a new one.

Disinfect the Sink

A sparkling sink becomes your kitchen's benchmark for hygiene and tidiness, says the management at Moen, a leader in quality faucets. New this year, for example is the popular Walden pull-out faucet featuring the innovative Reflex system. Its self-retracting wand helps fill large pots and the ergonomic design helps improve rinsing in and around the sink. Additionally, the Walden faucet has Microban antimicrobial protection – built in to the faucet finish – to inhibit the growth of stain- and odour-causing bacteria, mold and mildew.

Refrigerator Refresh

It's important to make sure your refrigerator is always clean and odourless, especially if you are expecting guests. One trick to get rid of smells is to open a canister of oatmeal and place it in the fridge for a few days to absorb any unappealing odours.

Bathroom

Scour the Shower

Showers are also a breeding ground for bacteria and mildew – feasting on body oils and soap scum. Make shower doors shine by rubbing a teaspoon of lemon oil on glass shower doors twice a month, this will cause water to bead up and roll off. Or, try a product called Rain-X Original Glass Treatment, a car-care item made to keep rainwater off your windshield. Use it twice a year. For easy maintenance, after each shower, clean the stall or tub and tiles with a squeegee.

Spotless Sinks

After your family finishes brushing their teeth or shaving, use a dry terrycloth hand towel on the mirror and bathroom faucets to wipe away spots of lather so they won't build up. For a spotless fixture around the clock, Moen suggests their Ashville bathroom faucet featuring Microban antimicrobial protection. The faucet is available in the company's trademark Spot Resist Brushed Nickel finish, which resists fingerprints and water spots to maintain the brilliance of the fixture. Additional details at moen.ca.

Living Room

Eliminate Pet Hair

If you're having a difficult time removing pet hair from furniture and other fabric surfaces, put on a wet rubber dishwashing glove and wipe your hand over surfaces. The hair will stick right to it.

Perfectly Polished

Make polishing fun. Turn on your favourite music, dampen a pair of old socks with furniture cleanser or polish and dust to the beat. You also can put those socks on your feet and "dance" over dirty floors.

Front Entrance

Control Clutter

Mount a plastic or cloth shoe rack inside your front-entry closet door, and use it to stash all kinds of living and family room miscellany—toys, hats, gloves, magazines, etc. You can even designate one of the pockets for mail you're not sure whether to save or toss.

Cleaning the home doesn't have to be a strenuous task. By creating a checklist of key items to tackle routinely, you'll easily combat the dirtiest rooms.

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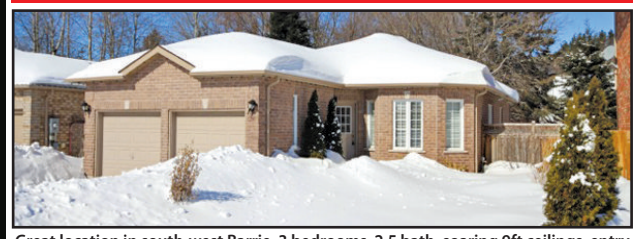

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1. **Clean up, blow, and rake:** Start the spring-cleaning when the snow has melted and the soil has dried a bit. Rake or blow away layers of leaves that can lead to the grass moulding or decaying.

2. **Clear away weeds:** Get rid of any weeds as early as possible, before the sun gives them energy to start growing. Also be sure to cut away withered leaves and grass from cultivated parts of the garden.

3. **Loosen the soil**: This makes it possible for the oxygen to reach the roots of the plants – and makes for a better-looking flowerbed. In smaller beds, hand tools do the trick to loosen the soil but if you're working with larger areas, a rotary cultivator is best.

4. **Trim the hedges**: A good-looking hedge starts with the initial cutting. Hedges with leaves should be trimmed during winter or early spring. Conifers are better trimmed during the growing period, one time in early spring and once in the middle of the summer.

5. **Mow the lawn:** Your grass needs time to recover after the winter. Remember not to cut it too short. With a grass level of 5-9 cm, you will have a fine, sustainable lawn.

6. **Trim:** The secret to an immaculate looking garden is in the detail, if you want your lawn and flower beds to look good, make sure you trim the edges.

Additional gardening tips and information about tool options for proper technique can be found online at www.husqvarna.ca. Or ask an expert at your local dealer.

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Town looks at Highway 400 closures

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Innisfil Examiner

Two major closures of Highway 400 in one week between Highway 89 and Barrie led to a recommendation in Innisfil council on Wednesday.

During a motion to adopt a new Emergency Response Plan bylaw, Coun. Lynn Dollin asked if the town could take a look at changing the timing of the traffic lights on north-south routes in Innisfil.

Dollin noted that the lights are currently timed to facilitate east-west travel, on Highway 89 and Innisfil Beach Road.

"When the 400 is closed, all of a sudden you have queues two to three kilometres long," because the green lights are too short for north and southbound traffic.

"The signal light timing: we haven't put a plan together, but it is a good idea," said director of infrastructure Andy Campbell. "Staff will look into that."

Highway 400 was closed on Feb. 27 after white-out conditions led to a 96-vehicle collision and on Wednesday, there was another serious multi-vehicle collision.

Later in the same meeting, council voted to express thanks to OLG Slots at Georgian Downs for opening up their facilities on Feb. 27 as a temporary OPP collision reporting centre and warming centre for stranded motorists, providing coffee, food and shelter.

"Every one of those motorists got free coffee, munchies, and a warm place to stay for three to five hours," noted Coun. Doug Lougheed.

Emerald ash borer is here

MIRIAM KING
Innisfil Examiner

It has been confirmed: the emerald ash borer, an invasive insect that attacks and destroys ash trees, has been identified in Simcoe County.

As of April 1, the county will be declared a 'regulated area', with restrictions on the movement of landscaping materials, plants, and firewood.

That will have an impact on residents who normally cottage or camp in the Muskokas. The declaration will mean that anyone used to carrying kindling or firewood with them on camping excursions can no longer bring along wood from Simcoe County.

Director of infrastructure Andy Campbell warned that the insect will have a "devastating impact." Within five to 10 years, "all the ash trees in town will be dead," he told councillors at their Wednesday night meeting

Campbell noted that impacted municipalities have approached the problem in different ways.

Some have clear-cut ash trees on municipal lands, replanting where appropriate, while others have simply waited and removed the dead trees. Some municipalities are paying to treat valuable trees in an effort to protect them from the insect pest.

Whatever plan the town adopts would apply only to trees on municipally-owned lands like boulevards and parks, Campbell said, and not the thousands of ash trees on private property.

"That is a private property issue. That can be very expensive," he said. Residents should be aware of the presence of ash trees on their property, and the threat that can be posed by dead trees.

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Monday to Friday
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Community Bulletin

MARCH 7, 2014

Town Council Meetings

Wednesday, March 19, 2014
- **6:30 pm** Public Meeting – RSS/RS By-Law Amendment to Adopted Comprehensive Zoning By-Law 080-13
- **7:15 pm** Regular Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 2, 2014
- **7:15 pm** Regular Council Meeting

Meetings subject to change. Please visit the Town's website to view the most updated listing.

Board/Committee Meetings

Accessibility Advisory Committee
March 11, 2014 at 1:00 pm, Town Hall, Community Rooms B&C

Off Leash Dog Park Committee
March 11, 2014 at 1:30 pm, Town Hall Meeting Room 2

Economic Development Advisory Committee
March 13, 2014 at 1:00 pm, Idea Lab – 873 Innisfil Beach Road

Heritage Committee
March 13, 2014 at 7:00 pm, Town Hall, Community Rooms B & C

Public Library Board
March 17, 2014 at 7:00 pm, Lakeshore Library Branch

Bradford West Gwillimbury/Innisfil Police Services Board
March 17, 2014 at 7:00 pm, South Division Station, Jonkman Community Room

Meetings subject to change. Please visit the Town's website to view the most updated listing.

Employment Opportunities

Communications Coordinator
This competition closes March 21, 2014

Roads Summer Student / Roads Casual
These competitions close March 14, 2014.

Please visit Employment Opportunities on the Town's website for more details.

Summer Library Opportunities

(2) CREATIVE TECHNOLOGIST – Summer Assistants
(14 week position - 30 hours per week)
Innisfil Public Library (www.innisfil.library.on.ca)

Qualified applicants are invited to submit a resume, by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 11th, 2014 to:
J. Asselstine, Deputy Chief Librarian
Innisfil Public Library, Box 7049, Innisfil, Ontario, L9S 1A8
FAX (705) 458-1294
jasselstine@innisfil.library.on.ca

Notice

NOTICE OF THE PASSING OF A ZONING BY-LAW

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Innisfil passed By-law No. 017-14 on the 19th day of February, 2014.

THE PURPOSE of the Zoning By-law Amendment is to exempt the Alcona Downs Plans of Subdivision, (the "Subject Property") as shown on the attached key map, from the requirements of Section 3.16.3 b) of By-law No. 080-13, which limits the maximum interior width of a private garage on lots with a lot frontage equal to or greater than 10 metres but less than 12 metres, to 5.0 metres.

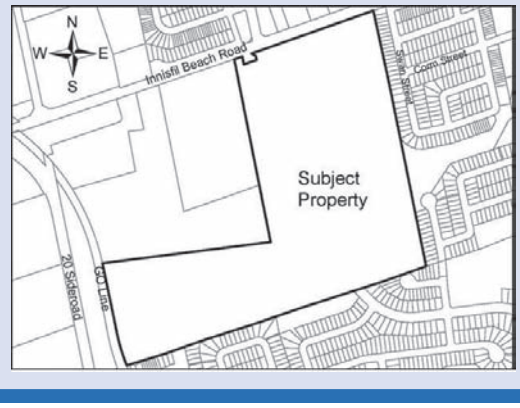
THE EFFECT of the Zoning By-law Amendment is to allow the development to proceed based on criteria used during the design stage of the development which was specific to the Town's previous comprehensive Zoning By-law No. 054-04, specifically allowing a maximum interior width of a private garage on lots with a lot frontage equal to or greater than 10 metres but less than 12 metres, to 5.5 metres.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or agency may appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board in respect to the By-law by filing with the Clerk, Town of Innisfil, 2101 Innisfil Beach Road, Innisfil, Ontario, L9S 1A1, no later than the 27th day of March, 2014, a Notice of Appeal setting out the objection to the By-law and the reasons in support of the objection. A fee of $125.00 is required by the Ontario Municipal Board payable to the Minister of Finance in the form of a certified cheque or money order. The OMB prescribed Appellant Form (A1) must be filed with any appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board. This form is available in the Customer Service area of the Municipal Office or online at www.omb.gov.on.ca.

The complete By-law is available for inspection at the Clerk's Office at 2101 Innisfil Beach Road during regular office hours. Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal the Zoning By-law to the Ontario Municipal Board. A Notice of Appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated body or group. A Notice of Appeal may, however, be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of an incorporated association or group on its behalf.

No person or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal unless, before the by-law was passed, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the Council or, in the opinion of the Ontario Municipal Board, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

Dated at the Town of Innisfil this 7th day of March, 2014



Notice

NOTICE OF PASSING OF BY-LAW FOR ADOPTION OF AN OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT, AND ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT FOR THE TOWN OF INNISFIL

(Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, s. 17(23), s. 34(18), O.Reg. 543/06, and O.Reg. 545/06)

SECOND DWELLING UNIT POLICIES AND PROVISIONS

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Innisfil passed By-law Numbers 019-14, and 018-14 to adopt Official Plan Amendment No. 11, and approve the implementing Zoning By-law Amendment for the Town of Innisfil on the 19th day of February, 2014, under Section 17(22), and 34(18) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended.

THE PURPOSE of the Official Plan and Zoning By-Law Amendments will be to implement Provincial legislation, which require municipalities to allow second dwelling units. A second unit is a self-contained dwelling unit with its own kitchen and bathroom facilities that are separate from the principal dwelling on the property. The proposed Official Plan and Zoning By-Law amendments will apply to all zones in the Town of Innisfil that permit single-detached, semi-detached or townhouse dwellings.

THE EFFECT of the Amendments will allow for second dwelling units as an accessory use to single-detached, semi-detached and townhouse dwellings within the Town, subject to meeting the requirements and provisions identified in the implementing Zoning By-Law Amendment and the Town's Registration By-Law.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or public body will be entitled to receive Notice of the Decision of the Approval Authority if a written request to be notified of the decision is made to the Approval Authority. The name and address of the Approval Authority that the request should be forwarded to is:

David Parks, MCIP, RPP
Director of Planning, Development, and Tourism
County of Simcoe
Administration Centre
1110 Highway 26
Midhurst, Ontario, L0L 1X0

PLEASE NOTE that Sections 17(24.1) and 34(19.1) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13 do not allow for the appeal of policies or by-laws regarding second units.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding the Official Plan and Zoning By-Law Amendments is available on the Town's website (http://www.innisfil.ca/town-hall-1/planning-services) and for inspection on weekdays between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the Town's Customer Service Department. You may also contact Paul Pentikainen, Policy Planner, at Tel. (705)-436-3740, ext. 3326, or by email at ppentikainen@innisfil.ca.

DATED AT THE TOWN OF INNISFIL THIS
21st DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2014
KAREN FRASER, ACTING CLERK
TOWN OF INNISFIL

Inspiring Innisfil Grant

Applications for the Inspiring Innisfil Grant Funds will be available on Thursday, March 6, 2014, following Council's review of the revised documents

Applications will be available at Town Hall or on the Town's web site.
The application deadline is **Friday, March 21, 2014 at 4:30 p.m.**

Visit the Town's web page at www.innisfil.ca for details.

Please register for any of these upcoming information sessions by contacting **clerksoffice@innisfil.ca**

Monday, March 10 - 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at South Innisfil Community Centre, 1354 Killarney Beach Road, Lefroy

Tuesday, March 11 - 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Cookstown Library & Community Center, 20 Church Street, Cookstown

Thursday, March 13 - 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Stroud-Innisfil Community Centre, 74883 Yonge Street, Innisfil

During the week of March 10 – 14 staff will be available for one-on-one consultation with organizations **during office hours by appointment only.**